## ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

## **NEWS RELEASE**



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## SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Ketchikan . . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the following area will be open to purse seining during the times and in the area listed below:

## District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Thursday, September 13, 2012:

District 2: will be open within two nautical miles of the Prince of Wales shoreline south of Tolstoi Point located at 55°40.25′ N. latitude, with the following restrictions:

West Arm of Cholmondeley Sound: will be closed west of 132°18.00′ W. longitude;

South Arm of Cholmondeley Sound: will be closed south of 55°13.13′ N. latitude;

Sunny Cove: will be closed north of 55°15.00′ N. latitude;

<u>Kasaan Bay, Skowl Arm, and contiguous waters</u>: will be closed west of the longitude of Skowl Point Light;

<u>Moira Sound</u>: will be closed west of the easternmost entrance of Menefee Anchorage located at 132°00.35′ W. longitude;

Thorne Bay, Tolstoi Bay, and contiguous waters: will be closed.

Recent aerial surveys indicate a surplus of wild stock fall chum salmon returning to Cholmondeley Sound. The opening will be to target returning fall chum salmon in the district and specifically to Cholmondeley Sound. Harvest rates and escapements will continue to be monitored and future openings will be announced via news release if additional opportunity to harvest excess fall chums is available.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S8412.

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